

Woman, Mother the World!

A128 Sunday Address 6th February 1944 St Mary Abbots Place, London Sunday Service

The date of this address is conjectural (see below), while the text is as issued in the magazine Angelus after it was given, apart from correction of errors

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Context: there is no internal evidence for the conjectured date of this address. However, it was printed in March 1944 and it was usual to print the February address in March, and there is no rival candidate. The eleventh chapter of Revelation was apparently read out earlier in the service, although it is not easy of understanding. Since the talk turns towards the Mother principle, it could be argued that it was appropriate to the Sunday after Candlemas, which is a feast of the Virgin Mary, although the feminine does not feature in the chapter from Revelation. There is quite a long Invocation at the start, which might have immediately preceded the address, or might have been given at the start of the service.

General Notes: readers are advised to read Revelation 11 before the Address and this indeed is its starting point. White Eagle also looks forward to the 'New Jerusalem' of Revelation 21. He then refers directly to the two witnesses mentioned in the third verse. He is keen to stress this as a moment of initiation for the writer of Revelation. However, there is a great deal in the chapter that he does not talk about, and it seems that his main thrust throughout is towards the reclaiming of the Mother principle, something Revelation 11 does not mention.

References: as clearly stated, the whole address springs from Revelation chapter 11. The phrase 'angels will walk and talk with men' is a common White Eagle quotation but it has so far resisted identification.

This Address should be read in conjunction with the 11th Chapter of Revelation

White Eagle's Address:

Let us worship our Creator in spirit and in truth. Let us turn from this material world and see the innermost sanctuary of the Spirit. Deep within our hearts we would commune with Spirit. We would raise our aspirations to the Most High and bow before the heavenly throne of our Father–Mother God. We would be aware of the presence of the angelic hosts, of the great Teachers of all ages; and above all of the Son of our Father–Mother whom we worship and call Christ our Lord. May His spirit enter into our communion and fill each waiting heart with light and truth and tranquillity, so that we may achieve on this earth the purpose of our creation: God's purpose. May the holy blessing breathe into the heart of everyone present. We pray that this blessing may encompass all suffering humanity. We pray there may be comfort for those who are in anguish, healing for the sick and light for those who struggle in darkness. So may Christ bless us all. Amen.

When we tell you that mankind has a glorious future and that within man himself lies the most wonderful possibilities, you will find it difficult to believe. In the olden days, by which we mean a few centuries ago, when man was really living in a dark age, religion painted for him a picture of a heaven that was to come after death; that is to say, his Church promised a heaven which was certain so long as he had faith and belief in its doctrines.

We do not speak of a life divorced from this earth when we tell of a life of beauty, of glory, of perfection, a life of happiness, harmony and beauty. We speak of the life which can be

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realised by man first of all within his being and secondly on the outermost plane. Heaven can indeed be realised on earth.

There are several ways in which this can happen. The spirit of man can become so radiant, so dominant over the physical life that he can penetrate to the higher realms of consciousness which you think of as heaven. Instead of this heavenly state being in some far away sphere up in the clouds, this heaven can be found here on earth. Man can become so attuned to truth, to his true being, that he is able to see beyond the veil of materialism into the land of light which is the land of the spirit. If man desires this it is necessary for him to unfold his spiritual qualities. Only when these spiritual and mental qualities are unfolded is man raised up by Christ so that he can behold and actually take part in a life of unimagined beauty – harmonious, holy, healthy, peaceful – but also a life full of energy and activity and service and at the same time a life which can be enjoyed tranquilly. All this would seem almost impossible, particularly during these dark years, but the darkness will lift and the sun will shine again.

Referring now to the reading upon which we base our talk, we emphasise the fact that Revelation tells of a spiritual initiation undergone by John. The book of Revelation has many interpretations. It deals with great mysteries, but as the spirit and the mind of man unfolds and evolves, so will the meaning of the Revelations of St John unfold to him within his innermost being. They do not refer to external happenings, but to those many initiations through which the soul of man passes.

What do we mean by initiation? Many of you know, but for the sake of those who do not understand we reply that an initiation is an unfoldment or an expansion of understanding, an expansion of spiritual consciousness. Such initiations are experienced frequently in daily life., as you will recognise when we explain. You may have some question which puzzles you, perhaps a religious or spiritual or an ethical or economic question and you cannot get an answer. You really cannot understand your problem. Perhaps as you think about or meditate upon it, you may be taken into a bookshop, be looking round the bookshelves and suddenly find yourself selecting a book. Or perhaps a friend lends a book to you and says, ‘You may enjoy this!’ As a result of reading this book, or listening to a sermon, an address, or conversation, you will find an idea will come to you in a flash. Where before you were puzzled, it will seem to you as though a great light suddenly floods your mind. You will think to yourself, ‘Of course! that is the answer, and how simple it is’.

As a result of that light percolating your mind you may find that a whole new vision will open. You will understand not only the one question, but many other questions which have puzzled you, perhaps for years. Indeed, there can come a whole expansion of vision, of consciousness. Now this might take place in a very small degree, or in a very wide degree; and it might be associated with some particular event of a material nature which may bring about a very big change in your life. You may experience tremendous joy as a result, or you may have to undergo deep sorrow. But whatever the experience it will bring to you a deeper and wider understanding of life.

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This is what we mean by an initiation brought about through daily life. Again, there are certain initiations we connect with spiritual work, certain ceremonies which can be undergone, such as initiation into a Masonic Lodge, as an example, or an initiation into any Lodge associated with spiritual truth. Then again, something happens to your soul; your soul is played upon by certain spiritual powers and these powers help to quicken the spiritual life forces in your soul body. This can again cause a great flash of enlightenment.

In our reading today there is a reference to the 'two witnesses'. We have picked this out because we answered a question some years ago on this very point. By the two witnesses does John refer to Moses and Elijah? It may be so; but we want to go deeper! Divine revelations are not usually concerned with personalities, but with soul or cosmic truth. Twice in this chapter there is a reference to the two who prophesy and the two pillars of the temple. What is meant? What are the two pillars, and what is the temple to which St John refers?

There are a number of explanations, a number of interpretations. We should say, meditate and think for yourselves *at the level at which you now function* and you will get your own interpretation. The temple can be man's body, the place where the divine spirit resides. The body should be always a healthy and beautiful temple for our God. The two pillars which support life, which support man's being are the heart, the centre of life and wisdom; and the mind, which is the centre of power, of energy and will; and the keystone is Christ, which forms the Royal Arch into the temple, into the holy of holies.

Let us also liken the two pillars in the temple to the dual soul, or the dual spirit, male and female, mother and father, if you like, dual aspects of God; and when these two are wedded, when there is that perfect balance between heart and mind, or when there is a perfect mystical marriage, from the union there is born a child called the blessed and holy child of God. Christ. We would suggest this as yet another interpretation and the esoteric explanation of the Immaculate Conception. We want you to understand that these profound truths of spiritual life bear many explanations and not the one only. Here is the mistake which a limited mentality makes. 'Our explanation is the only truth', some will say. It cannot possibly be so, my friends. There is no such thing as only one aspect of truth. Truth is a jewel with many facets, like a diamond or ruby. And so there are several explanations and interpretations of these spiritual truths, because there are so many mental and spiritual planes upon which man functions. All are diverse expressions of the one supreme truth.

We offer this to you as a deep and spiritual explanation of the Immaculate Conception, the perfect blending of the intuition and the spiritual qualities of the Mother together with that mind which is representative of divine will and energy; the divine will and energy impregnates the divine love and wisdom. When you get this perfect blending, this perfect marriage within man's innermost being, there is the production of a perfect Son of God, the perfect child, the perfect son, the perfect man. We would refer to the six-pointed star, which consists of two interwoven triangles and is an emblem of the mystical marriage, the perfect blending of the dual aspects of life.

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Let us bring this right down to the physical plane and what do we see in the world today? Chaos, cruelty, sorrow, terrible suffering – and why? What has brought this state of things to pass? Because humanity has starved for lack of the Mother principle for many centuries. There has been domination, first by the body and then by the intellect or brain of man. Both have tended to imprison, if not slay, the divine mother principle, which is wisdom and love. In the future there must come, there will come this illumination, this initiation, this expansion of spiritual consciousness. You will see this Mother aspect (not merely Woman; we are speaking of divine principles), you will see this divine principle of the Mother slowly but surely influencing the world. As a result, there will be a much greater inflow of love and wisdom, a lessening of the power complex which working through the brain of man causes man to produce the most diabolical machines for the destruction of life.

When the spirit of the Mother works hand in hand with the Father principle (which is the higher, the divine mind) you will get a return to sanity, to harmony, to happiness. We should say here that although we are not dealing wholly with the male and female aspect of mankind, nevertheless we speak very earnestly to women in particular, because they are laggards in the work which has been put before them in this incarnation. This is no question of merely bearing children; a woman should be a mother to the whole human race. If this mother element had grown stronger throughout the world, that power complex could not possibly have overridden and crushed it.

These things must be brought about by men and women through simple ways and in simple human life. If every woman would stop and consider her true mission, which is to express divine motherhood in the world through love and gentleness and wisdom, the attributes of the holy mother; if every man would realise his opportunity to express divine fatherhood – not by power and hatred and cruelty, but by divine energy and will to help forward the evolution of the race, this will raise mankind. The brain of man must not be used to invent instruments of torture and destruction, but to bring through noble and fine inventions which will further help to evolve the soul of man. So many of these are already prepared in the halls of wisdom. There they lie, waiting for man to open his mind, attune himself to the divine thought and thus be a ready channel. Then they will come through.

Then there will be easier communication, easier travel, less hard physical labour, more opportunity for mental and spiritual culture, a perfect opportunity for every child to be educated and to be trained along the higher mental and spiritual lines: opportunities for cultivating the spirit through art and music, literature and drama and all that will bring happiness and joy to the lives of man. When God created man and woman he did not imprison them in a hard commercial world. He put them into the Garden of Eden. They lost Eden through self-will; but also through desire to gain knowledge and power and greater consciousness of life. That is a long story which we shall have to tell another time. We make this point, however - God does not intend His children to suffer the horrors and cruelties of the world overridden by this power complex, by the brain of man; instead, God wants men and women to find heaven on earth. Heaven can only come through the perfect blending, the

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absolute balance between the two opposites, the positive and the negative, the male and female. Then there will follow a raising of the whole vibration of the earth. Then there will be a second coming of Christ, the perfect Man, through the mystical and perfect marriage of the heart and the mind: the pillars of the great Temple of Love referred to again and again in Revelation, and in the glories which St John describes as the golden city, the city of the new Jerusalem.

Take heart, take courage, my friends; life is before you, ever unfolding, and it will lead you in the end to the happiness and joy. Not only in some far away unknown state, but here on earth will come the kingdom of heaven. Here on earth angels will walk and talk with man and there will be no terrible darkness and division between the spirits who dwell in the land of light and those who are still imprisoned in the flesh. Death will be overcome, because souls who live in a physical body and souls escaped from a physical body are not separated; they can see each other and talk together in joy and love, a brotherhood of the spirit.

Already groups and communities of people are all working with one object, seeing a wonderful vision. All are moving forward together to reach that object, to bring through to the earth plane light, knowledge, wisdom, love. It will come. You are given the vision to work for it here and now. Divine mothers and divine fathers, may you express the very highest, so that you may aid forward that day of perfection and happiness for all God's children on earth. Women, mother the world! Men inspire with the highest truths your brother man!

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